SSL Ranking Rules

Categories of Events

Category				
Category	1	MAJOR	**SSL 4000**	*Major Event :* • *Olympic Games,* • *America's Cup,* • *SSL Gold Cup & Finals*
Category	2	WORLD	**SSL 2500**	*World Event :* • *[a] World Championships (Fleet + Match Racing (MR)),* • *AC Challenger Selection Series* • *SSL Grand Slam (run on several classes since 2021)*
Category	3	CONTINENTAL	**SSL 1000**	*Continental Event :* • *[a+b] Continental Championships* • *[c] Grand Prix I* • *WS World Cup* • *Regatta with 200 boats or more (Opti: 400 boats or more)* • *MR-Grade W + 1*
Category	4	INTERNATIONAL	**SSL 500**	*International Event :* • *AC World Series* • *Regional Games* • *[d] Grand Prix II* • *Regatta with 80 boats or more (Opti: 200 boats or more)* • *MR-Grade 2*
Category	5	NATIONAL	**SSL 250**	*National Regatta :* • *[a] National Championship* • *Local Games* • *[a] District Championship* • *[e] Grand Prix III* • *Regatta with 30 boats or more* • *MR-Grade 3*
Category	6	REGIONAL	**SSL 100**	*Regional Regatta :*

				• *Regional Regatta with 10 boats or more* • *MR-Grade 4*
Category	7	LOCAL	**SSL 10**	*Local Regatta :* • *Local Regatta with a participation between 3 and 9 boats* • *MR-Grade 5*

[a] *With the exception of MR & all Grand Prix, World + Continental + National Championships with less than 10 boats will be downgraded to the lower category*

[b] *Continental: African-Asian-European-Oceania-South/American-North/American-Eastern/Hemisphere-Western/Hemisphere-Championships + Regional Games*

[c] *Grand Prix I: Sail GP*

[d] *Grand Prix II: TP52 Super Series, RC44 Cup, GC32 Racing Tour*

[e] *Grand Prix III: D35, M32, TF35*

Classes

Status	1	OLYMPIC CLASS	**100%**	*Olympics + Particularities : 470H, 470W, 49[er], 49erFX, Finn, Laser, Laser Radial, Nacra 17 + Current America's Cup Class + Match Racing Grade W + Grand Prix I*
Status	2	WS CLASS	**85%**	*Classes with Official Worlds: 5O5, Dragon, Hobie 16, J/70, Melges 24, Moth, Optimist, Snipe, Star, Sunfish, SSL 47, TP52, Grand Prix II & III, ... (~ 100 classes)*
Status	3	OTHER CLASS	**75%**	*All Other Classes : 1-Kronan, Albin Express, Folketboot, MC Scow, Naples Sabot, National 10, P-Boot, Sea Snark, Surprise,... (~ 5000 classes)*

Types of Competitions

Type	1	OPEN	**100%**	*Olympic Classes [f] : 470, 49[er]FX, Laser Radial Reserved for Women / 470, 49[er], Laser, Finn for Men / Nacra 17 for Mixed Teams*
				America's Cup, SSL : Even if some America's Cup & SSL Events require to be qualified to participate, all of them remain "Open" competitions

Type	2	NON-OPEN	40% [g]	Reserved for Specific Gender: Reserved for Women, or for Men, or for Mixed Teams
				Reserved for Age Groups : Reserved for Cadets, Juniors, Masters, Grand Masters, U20, U21, U23, U30, …
				Reserved for Other Groups : Reserved for Professionals or "Amateurs", or for Disableds, or for Owners

[f] Competitions for Olympic or local Games qualification and for Olympic or local Games remain "Open" competitions

[g] Competitions that add 2 (or more) of particular types (eg Juniors + Girls) get 20% of the points

Time Validity of Points

Due to the exceptional situation that occurred for Covid-19, the SSL Selection Board decided to change the "Time Validity Points" rule, starting from December 15, 2020 until December 31, 2022.

Time	1	RECENT	100%	Recent Event : Event ended in the last 104 weeks
Time	2	MID-TERM	50%	Mid-term Event [h] : Event ended between 105 and 156 weeks ago
Time	3	HISTORICAL	0%	Historical Event : Event ended more than 156 weeks ago

[h] For the Olympic Games and for the America's Cup, the 50% rule continues until the next edition (not only 104 weeks ago)

Starting from January 1, 2023, the "Time Validity Points" will return to the usual one (see table below):

Time	1	RECENT	100%	Recent Event : Event ended in the last 52 weeks
Time	2	MID-TERM	50%	Mid-term Event [h] : Event ended between 53 and 104 weeks ago

Time	3	HISTORICAL	0%	*Historical Event : ago*	*Event ended more than 104 weeks*

[h] For the Olympic Games and for the America's Cup, the 50% rule continues until the next edition (not only 104 weeks ago)

[Insert table: SSL Ranking Points Example: Optimist World Championship - A 4 Step Process]

[Insert table: Examples Of SSL Points Allocated to 6 World Championships]

SSL Global Ranking : Principles

1. **Fundamental Points**
   1. Origin
      - The SSL Global Ranking was conceived and continue to be developed by a group of Olympic and amateur sailors.
   2. Philosophy
      - SSL Global Ranking aims first and foremost to offer the first transversal and global ranking of inshore sailors, in complement to all national or international Class Ranking established by the classes and federations.
   3. Goals
      - The SSL Global Ranking aims to represent a reference and an attractive tool of communication used to:
         - Select sailors for the SSL Finals and for the teams in the SSL Gold Cup
         - Promote sailors and their skills
         - Expand the audience of sailing
2. **Technical Features**
   1. 6 Best Scores
      - The SSL Ranking takes in consideration the best 6 scores of each athlete in the last 156 weeks (note: from January 1, 2023, the "Time Validity Points" rules will return to the usual one, i.e. last 104 weeks).
      - Exception: All scores allocated for category 7 competitions are added up without any limitation of numbers
   2. All Rewarded
      - All athletes who have participated in one race receive point(s). The winner gets basically from 10 to 4000 points and the last ranked 1 point.
   3. Weekly Update

- The SSL Global Ranking is updated weekly and published every Tuesday at www.starsailors.com/ranking.
  4. Filters
    - The SSL Global Ranking can be filtered according to 3 criteria:
      - By Gender (Men – Women – Open/Global)
      - By Class of boats
      - By Nation
  5. Skipper & Crew
    - The SSL Global Ranking produces 2 distinct Rankings:
      - The SSL "Skipper" Global Ranking
      - The SSL "Crew" Global Ranking
    - Note: The "Skipper" designation used generically throughout this document refers specifically and only to the "Helmsman".

3. Eligibility - Integration - Evolution

1. Eligibility: Athletes
   - All athletes without any restrictions (age, sex, status) who are on an official regatta ranking and who have finished at least one full race, may appear in the SSL Global Ranking.
2. Eligibility: Events
   - All events which meet the criteria below can be integrated in the SSL Global Ranking:
     - Competition validated by a class recognized by World Sailing or by a National Association
     - Competition in real time (= no Ratings & Handicap Systems) with monotype boats or development sailing classes < 30 ff
     - Inshore competitions organized for a maximum period of 15 continuous days. (Exceptions: America's Cup and SSL GC)
3. Integration Steps
   - Weighting based on Event Category, World Sailing classes, open/restricted events:
     - Major Events:
       (4) *Olympic Games, America's Cup, SSL Gold Cup & Finals*
     - Special Events:
       (4) *World Match Racing Tour (MR), ACWS, SailGP, SSL Grand Slams*
     - Classes with Status 1 / Olympic Classes:
       (8) *Finn, Laser (M), Laser (W), 49er, 49erFX, 470 (M), 470 (W) Nacra 17*
     - Classes with Status 2 / WS Classes:
       (~100) *5O5, Dragon, Hansa 2.3, Etchells, J/70, Melges 24, Moth, TP52, Star, …*
     - Classes with Status 3 / Other Classes:
       (~5000) *Sabot, MC Scow, P-Boot, Sea Snark, Folketboot, Optimist, National 10, …*

4. Rules & Evolution

- The SSL Global Ranking rules are based on the rules that were used in a DEVELOPMENT PHASE from January 2013 to December 2018. During the development phase, to simplify development of the system only results from a single class were used.
- The SSL Global Ranking will be in a TRANSITION PHASE until December 2021, as dozens of classes and thousands of athletes are added.
- From 1 January 2022 forward, the SSL Global Ranking will be in its OPERATING PHASE. New classes will be added to the system only at the start of a calendar year, i.e. no new classes will be added *during* 2022.

4. SKIPPER / CREW – SCORING FEATURES

1. "Skipper/Crew"

- Rules The helmsman and each crew member from one team are awarded the same number of points.
- All crew members of a team who have participated in one race receive the same number of points for the SSL "Crew" Global Ranking; this rule remains fixed, whatever the number of races sailed by each crew member and whatever the number of crew members having participated.
- Only one helmsman per team and per event may receive points for the SSL "Skipper" Global Ranking.
- An athlete cannot be awarded SSL points in the 2 categories if they have participated as an helmsman and as a crew member in the same event. In this case, only the SSL points which are allocated for their role as a crew member are retained.
- The points awarded in each category ("Skipper" and "Crew" Member) cannot be added together.